

## Eco Gardeners March 18, 2024 Minutes of Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM.

### 2. Quorum

18 members Present, 10 required for business

### 3. Minutes of December Meeting

The minutes of the February 2024 meeting were read and approved.

### 4. Treasurer's Report

a. Opening Balance	\$2804.30
b. Income	\$100.00 (dues)
c. Expenses	<u>\$178.71</u> (Compost, garden wagon)
d. Closing Balance	\$2725.59

### 5. Old Business

- The new garden cart is assembled and available for use by the members.
- The April club meeting will be a pot luck, from 12:30 – 3:00 PM at the Recreation Center Pool Pavilion. Please bring your favorite dish to share.

### 6. New Business

- Owl Box: This is not the correct time of year for owls to nest in an owl box. There was a suggestion that the box be installed in the fall (November-December), to allow the “new car smell” of the box to dissipate prior to the owl nesting season.  
The box should not be installed near the road (99<sup>th</sup> Street Road), as this could disturb the owls, preventing their nesting. The preferred location of the box would be in the group of trees along the fence on 98<sup>th</sup> street.
- Garden Plot at Home: Gayle reviewed the rules provided by OTOW for maintain a garden plot at your residence. The following items from the OTOW rules were noted and discussed:
  - 1) Plot size is limited to 4' x 10' (40 sq. feet).
  - 2) Submit your garden plot plan to the HOA along with the \$35 fee.
  - 3) Trellises and stakes must be removed at the end of the gardening season.
  - 4) Compost piles are not permitted.
  - 5) Consult the Eco Gardeners club website, “Links” page, “OTOW Garden Rules” link for further details.

### 7. Remarks for the Good of the Club

1. Garden Plot Wood: If your plot wood requires repair, submit a work order directly to OTOW, not the Eco Gardeners board. OTOW will repair/replace existing wood that has rotted or warped. However, they will not make new additions or modifications to the plot (such as raising the wood height).
2. If you shut off the water on another member's plot, please notify the board at once. The board will notify the member, to allow the member to make repairs, if required. Otherwise, the plants in the subject plot may dehydrate & die if no notice is provided.

### 8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:57 PM.